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Dear Dr. Alvarez:

Thank you very much for your long and detailed letter of August 15, which I have read several times.

Before I send a copy of your letter on to Dr. Josiah Thompson, you may wish to make a slight correction. On page 2, line 11, you speak of Frame 313 (which is the famous one showing Kennedy receiving the final and fatal shot) when you mean Frame 318, which I have verified from the mimeographed copy of Mr. Wyckoff's statements on the CBS program. The others he cites are 100 and 227. So I enclose your letter for you or your secretary to correct on line 11 of page 2.

I wish I knew the exact distance of Mr. Zapruder from the 6th floor window of the Book Depository and his distance from the assassin postulated behind the grassy knoll. Better yet, ^{would be} a re-enactment of the crime with guns fired from these positions at a target in the position of the President's car, while someone (preferably Zapruder himself, as his reaction-time is being measured) stood where Zapruder was at the time of the assassination. I suspect that a shot fired from the grassy knoll area might result in a blurring of the frames of film earlier than the shot from the Depository (even though the shot from the Depository occurred earlier). Precise timing would be imperative. And that is what makes me doubt that two assassins, separated by about 100 yards and not visible to each other (nor in radio communication), could fire within 0.1 second of each other, which is what Thompson is postulating.

Looking forward to the receipt of your corrected letter and again thanking you for the pains you have taken, I am

Gratefully yours,

Walter Menaker, M.D.

*Dr. Dr. Menaker:
This is in response to
your letter - I am not in
any way responsible for
Mr. Wyckoff's statements.
Sincerely,
Luis W. Alvarez*